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FM AMEMBASSY AMMAN
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6329
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USASAC ALEX VA
USCINCEUR VAIHINGEN GE
GHQ JAF AMMAN (COURIER)

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FOR: SECDEF, ASD: ISA
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USCINCEUR, ECJ4/7-SACM
JAF, P&O

E.O.11652: GDS
TAGS: MASS, JO, US
SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR LOA

1. GHQ, JORDAN ARMED FORCES (JAF), HAS REQUESTED A LETTER
OF OFFER AND ACCEPTANCE BE PREPARED FOR PURCHASE UNDER
FOREIGN MILITARY SALES OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS, TWO OF
WHICH APPEAR ON THE MAJOR DEFENSE EQUIPMENT LIST,
APPENDIX C, PART III, TO THE MILITARY ASSISTANCE AND
SALES MANUAL (MASM):

DODAC	ITEM	QTY
1320-D550	PROJ 155MM HOW SMK	11,566
1320-D554	PROJ 155MM HOW HE	14,667
1320-D541	CHG PROP 155 MM HOW WB	22,046
1320-D540	CHG PROP 155 MM HOW GB	18,634
1315-C521	CTG 105MM APFSDS-T M735	1,281

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1315-C511	CTG 105MM TPT	1,002
1320-D680	PROJ 8 IN HOW HE	3,780
1320-D676	CHG PROP 8 IN HOW WB	3,232
1320-D675	CHG PROP 8 IN HOW GB	3,113
1320-N523	PRIMER PERC M82	27,146

2. GHQ, JAF, REQUESTS ABOVE ITEMS BE FINANCED FROM

FY77 FMS CREDIT (FMSCR) WHEN THIS AGREEMENT IS
FINALIZED, FUNDS DEPOSITED, AND CREDIT IMPLEMENTED.
FY77 FMSCR WILL BE DISCUSSED AT US. JORDAN JMC MEETING
IN WASHINGTON 19 JUN 78.

3. JUSTIFICATION:

A. FOR MOST OF THE TIEMS REQUESTED, TO INCLUDE
THE 155 MM AND 8 IN ITEMS, THE ABOVE CONSTITUTES A
NORMAL RESUPPLY ACTION, SINCE THE ITEMS ARE ALREADY
IN THE JAF INVENTORY.

B. THE M735 105MM ARMOR PIERCING FIN STABALIZED
DISCARDING SABOT TRACER (APFSDS-T) ROUND IS NEW TO
BOTH THE US FORCES AND TO JAF. THE STANDARD 105MM
APDS RD IS ALREADY IN USE BY JAF. THE NEW M735
ROUND WILL NOT ALTER THE JAF CAPABILITY AS IT OFFERS
NO NEW SIGNIFICANT CAPABILITY. THE M735 105MM RD IS
INCLUDED IN THIS REQUEST IN ORDER TO MEET THE
30 JUNE 1978 REQUEST DATE FOR SUBMISSION OF REQUESTS
FOR THIS NEW TYPE OF AMMO.

C. JAF HAS THE CAPABILITY TO PROPERLY STORE,
MAINTAIN AND USE ALL OF THE ABOVE REQUESTED AMMO.
NO ADDITIONAL PRIVATE OR OFFICIAL AMERICAN PERSONNEL
WILL BE NEEDED TO SUPPORT JAF'S USE OF THE NEW RD
OR ANY OF THE OTHER AMMO.

D. FUNDING OF THIS REQUEST VIA FY77 FMSCR IS
PRESENTLY A PROBLEM AND MAY DELAY PREPARATION AND
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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE REQUESTED LOA.

E. JORDAN'S FINANCIAL SITUATION HAS BEEN
REVIEWED IN SEVERAL PREVIOUS MESSAGES AND NO CHANGE HAS
OCCURRED. THE ECONOMIC IMPACT ON JORDAN FOR PROCUREMENT
OF THE AMMUNITION WILL BE MINIMAL WHEN FY77 FMSCR IS
RELEASED.

F. THE ABOVE REQUEST HAS NO HUMAN RIGHTS IMPACT.

G. THE MISSION HAS THE CAPABILITY TO MONITOR USE
OF THE ABOVE REQUESTED AMMO.

H. ACTION REQUESTED: AMEMBASSY AMMAN RECOMMENDS
FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION OF THIS REQUEST FOR AN LOA.

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